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## **Kobach Announces Launch of Android Version of Mobile Voter App**

TOPEKA (October 21, 2014) – Secretary of State Kris Kobach announced today that the Android version of the VoteKansas mobile voter application is available for Kansans to get information for the upcoming general election. Designed to connect voters with the essential information needed to cast their ballots, it is free and ready for downloading onto Android portable devices at the Google Play Store.

"Every Kansas voter is encouraged to study the issues and candidates, then to cast their informed vote in the general election." said Kobach. "The convenience of viewing your ballot and finding your polling place on your portable device is yet another way that Kansas makes it easy to vote."

Registered Kansas voters enter their voter registration address. The app displays the offices and candidates on that voter's ballot. The polling place address shows on a map with written directions either from the user's registered address or from the user's current location.

The VoteKansas app supplements the information available online through the Voting Information Project and the Kansas Secretary of State's VoterView website. A Spanish translation is available on the Android version and will be on the original iPhone version that was launched in July. Those who have selected Spanish in their phone's language settings will view Spanish in the VoteKansas app.

The Kansas Secretary of State's Office was the first in the nation to collaborate with The Pew Charitable Trusts in developing and launching a mobile voter app. These tools are made available to ensure that election information is accessible to voters where they look for it most – online, and when they are most likely to want it – on the go.

Election Day is Tuesday, November 4. State law requires that polling places open at 7:00 a.m. and close at 7:00 p.m. on election day, but the county may open the polls earlier and close them later. All voters who are in line when the polls close are allowed to vote.

For app features and navigation tips, visit www.sos.ks.gov and click on the VoteKansas button.